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SUBJECT:POTENTIAL LOAN OF GRENADE LAUNCHER TO MALAYSIA

REFS: (A) SEOUL 2117
(B) STATE 87365

1. EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM APPROPRIATE ROKG AUTHORITIES THAT
USG CANNOT APPROVE THIRD-PARTY TRANSFER (INCLUDING LOAN)
OF M203 GRENADE LAUNCHERS TO MALAYSIA. CIRCUMSTANCES IN
THIS PARTICULAR CASE DO NOT WARRANT AN EXCEPTION TO USG
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POLICY OF NOT APPROVING THIRD-PARTY TRANSFERS OF US-ORIGIN
MILITARY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED ABROAD UNDER CO-PRODUCTION
PROCEDURES.

2. SPECIFICALLY, THESE GRENADE LAUNCHERS ARE CURRENTLY IN
PRODUCTION IN THE U.S.; THE USG HAS RECEIVED A GOM REQUEST
FOR P&B INFORMATION ON THE M203; AND A US MANUFACTURER IS

INVOLVED IN THE POTENTIAL SALE TO MALAYSIA. FYI. THE MANUFACTURER, COLT INDUSTRIES, HAS FORMALLY COMPLAINED TO THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT "OFFERS FROM FOREIGN SOURCES" TO SELL THE M203 TO MALAYSIA, AND HAS RAISED THE QUESTION OF COMPETITION AGAINST AMERICAN MANUFACTURE BY FOREIGN SOURCES LICENSED TO PRODUCE FOR INDIGENOUS USE ONLY. VANCE

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